



MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, STATE OF CALIFORNIA

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Chief Administrative Officer

At its meeting held November 18, 2003, the Board took the following action:

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Supervisor Knabe made the following statement:

"Representative Shimkus (R-Illinois) introduced H.R. 2898 titled 'E-911 Implementation Act of 2003' which had bipartisan support of 42 cosponsors. The House of Representatives unanimously passed this bill on November 4, 2003, to speed the nationwide rollout of services that will let authorities pinpoint the location of wireless 911 callers.

"H.R. 2898 authorizes \$500 million in grants over five years so that dispatch centers can upgrade equipment to establish a national E-911 coordination office. Today, just 18% of dispatch centers can obtain the location of wireless callers. This act has been written to improve homeland security, public safety, and citizens activated emergency response capabilities through the use of enhanced 911 wireless services."

Therefore, on motion of Supervisor Knabe, seconded by Supervisor Antonovich, unanimously carried (Supervisor Yaroslavsky being absent), the Board took the following actions:

1. Went on record in support of H.R. 2898 (Shimkus) titled "E-911 Implementation Act of 2003," legislation which would authorize \$500 million in grants over five years so that dispatch centers can upgrade equipment to establish a national E-911 coordination office to improve homeland security, public safety and citizen activated emergency response capabilities;

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2. Instructed the Chief Administrative Officer to send a letter to President Bush and Senators Feinstein and Boxer urging their support and prompt enactment of H.R. 2898.

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Letter sent to:
Congressmember John M. Shimkus